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Quarterly Report pursuant to section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the quarterly period ended February 28, 2018

Commission File No. 000-19860

SCHOLASTIC CORPORATION
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

13-3385513
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

557 Broadway, New York, New York
(Address of principal executive offices)

10012
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (212) 343-6100

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate website, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (229.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files).

Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer Non-accelerated filer Smaller reporting company Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes No

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of Common Stock, as of the latest practicable date.

Title of each class	Number of shares outstanding as of February 28, 2018
Common Stock, \$.01 par value	33,078,234
Class A Stock, \$.01 par value	1,656,200



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PART I - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

SCHOLASTIC CORPORATION
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS - UNAUDITED
(Dollar amounts in millions, except per share data)

	Three months ended		Nine months ended	
	February 28,		February 28,	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Revenues	\$ 344.7	\$ 336.2	\$ 1,132.2	\$ 1,242.0
Operating costs and expenses:				
Cost of goods sold	166.4	160.3	535.6	601.3
Selling, general and administrative expenses	186.2	191.1	572.0	587.2
Depreciation and amortization	11.5	9.5	31.9	28.6
Asset impairments	4.3	—	11.0	—
Total operating costs and expenses	368.4	360.9	1,150.5	1,217.1
Operating income (loss)	(23.7)	(24.7)	(18.3)	24.9
Interest income (expense), net	0.2	(0.3)	0.5	(1.0)
Other components of net periodic benefit (cost)	(39.8)	1.1	(55.4)	(0.2)
Earnings (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes	(63.3)	(23.9)	(73.2)	23.7
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	(14.1)	(8.4)	(17.4)	10.8
Earnings (loss) from continuing operations	(49.2)	(15.5)	(55.8)	12.9
Earnings (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax	—	0.1	—	0.0
Net income (loss)	\$ (49.2)	\$ (15.4)	\$ (55.8)	\$ 12.9
Basic and diluted earnings (loss) per Share of Class A and Common Stock				
Basic:				
Earnings (loss) from continuing operations	\$ (1.41)	\$ (0.45)	\$ (1.59)	\$ 0.37
Earnings (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax	\$ —	\$ 0.01	\$ —	\$ 0.00
Net income (loss)	\$ (1.41)	\$ (0.44)	\$ (1.59)	\$ 0.37
Diluted:				
Earnings (loss) from continuing operations	\$ (1.41)	\$ (0.45)	\$ (1.59)	\$ 0.36
Earnings (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax	\$ —	\$ 0.01	\$ —	\$ 0.00
Net income (loss)	\$ (1.41)	\$ (0.44)	\$ (1.59)	\$ 0.36
Dividends declared per Class A and Common Share	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.45	\$ 0.45

See accompanying notes

SCHOLASTIC CORPORATION
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS) - UNAUDITED
(Dollar amounts in millions)

	Three months ended				Nine months ended			
	February 28,				February 28,			
	2018		2017		2018		2017	
Net income (loss)	\$	(49.2)	\$	(15.4)	\$	(55.8)	\$	12.9
Other comprehensive income (loss), net:								
Foreign currency translation adjustments (net of tax)		2.2		0.9		6.0		(6.1)
Pension and post-retirement adjustments (net of tax)		22.2		0.7		31.7		2.1
Total other comprehensive income (loss), net	\$	24.4	\$	1.6	\$	37.7	\$	(4.0)
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$	(24.8)	\$	(13.8)	\$	(18.1)	\$	8.9

See accompanying notes

SCHOLASTIC CORPORATION
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS - UNAUDITED
(Dollar amounts in millions, except per share data)

	February 28, 2018		May 31, 2017		February 28, 2017
	(Unaudited)				(Unaudited)
ASSETS					
Current Assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	362.6	\$	444.1	\$ 461.8
Accounts receivable, net		186.0		199.2	172.4
Inventories, net		356.9		282.5	351.2
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		100.1		44.3	68.8
Current assets of discontinued operations		—		0.4	0.4
Total current assets		1,005.6		970.5	1,054.6
Property, plant and equipment, net		530.6		475.3	455.3
Prepublication costs, net		48.8		43.3	43.0
Royalty advances, net		50.3		41.8	48.7
Goodwill		119.1		118.9	116.2
Noncurrent deferred income taxes		17.8		53.7	68.5
Other assets and deferred charges		61.5		56.9	61.3
Total noncurrent assets		828.1		789.9	793.0
Total assets	\$	1,833.7	\$	1,760.4	\$ 1,847.6
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY					
Current Liabilities:					
Lines of credit and current portion of long-term debt	\$	7.7	\$	6.2	\$ 5.8
Accounts payable		208.4		141.2	194.2
Accrued royalties		63.2		34.2	87.5
Deferred revenue		56.5		24.2	56.0
Other accrued expenses		162.6		178.0	161.8
Accrued income taxes		1.2		2.8	2.7
Current liabilities of discontinued operations		—		0.5	0.1
Total current liabilities		499.6		387.1	508.1
Noncurrent Liabilities:					
Other noncurrent liabilities		66.5		65.4	70.5
Total noncurrent liabilities		66.5		65.4	70.5
Commitments and Contingencies (see Note 5)		—		—	—
Stockholders' Equity:					
Preferred Stock, \$1.00 par value		—		—	—
Class A Stock, \$0.01 par value		0.0		0.0	0.0
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value		0.4		0.4	0.4
Additional paid-in capital		614.6		606.8	604.7
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)		(56.5)		(94.2)	(90.7)
Retained earnings		1,019.6		1,091.2	1,057.1
Treasury stock at cost		(310.5)		(296.3)	(302.5)
Total stockholders' equity		1,267.6		1,307.9	1,269.0
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	1,833.7	\$	1,760.4	\$ 1,847.6

See accompanying notes

SCHOLASTIC CORPORATION
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS – UNAUDITED
(Dollar amounts in millions)

	Nine months ended February 28,	
	2018	2017
Cash flows - operating activities:		
Net income (loss)	(55.8)	12.9
Earnings (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax	—	0.0
Earnings (loss) from continuing operations	(55.8)	12.9
Adjustments to reconcile earnings (loss) from continuing operations to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities of continuing operations:		
Provision for losses on accounts receivable	7.9	9.3
Provision for losses on inventory	11.5	8.7
Provision for losses on royalty advances	3.3	3.3
Amortization of prepublication and production costs	16.4	17.2
Depreciation and amortization	32.2	28.9
Non-cash settlement of pension	55.0	—
Amortization of pension and post-retirement actuarial gains and losses	1.8	3.1
Deferred income taxes	15.5	0.1
Stock-based compensation	9.1	8.7
Income from equity investments	(3.7)	(4.9)
Non-cash write off related to asset impairments	11.0	—
Changes in assets and liabilities, net of amounts acquired:		
Accounts receivable	8.6	12.3
Inventories	(82.0)	(91.1)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(57.8)	(4.6)
Royalty advances	(11.5)	(8.3)
Accounts payable	63.4	52.8
Other accrued expenses	(15.8)	(13.6)
Accrued income taxes	(1.8)	1.1
Accrued royalties	28.1	56.3
Deferred revenue	31.8	32.4
Pension and post-retirement liabilities	(3.9)	(5.7)
Other noncurrent liabilities	1.6	(1.9)
Other, net	0.0	(2.6)
Total adjustments	120.7	101.5
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities of continuing operations	64.9	114.4
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities of discontinued operations	—	(1.0)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	64.9	113.4
Cash flows - investing activities:		
Prepublication and production expenditures	(22.4)	(19.0)
Additions to property, plant and equipment	(92.4)	(36.1)
Other investment and acquisition related payments	(2.0)	(0.4)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities of continuing operations	(116.8)	(55.5)
Changes in restricted cash held in escrow for discontinued assets	—	9.9
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(116.8)	(45.6)

See accompanying notes

SCHOLASTIC CORPORATION
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS – UNAUDITED
(Dollar amounts in millions)

	Nine months ended	
	February 28, 2018	February 28, 2017
Cash flows - financing activities:		
Borrowings under lines of credit	40.4	25.9
Repayments of lines of credit	(37.8)	(26.4)
Repayment of capital lease obligations	(0.9)	(0.8)
Reacquisition of common stock	(23.8)	(6.0)
Proceeds pursuant to stock-based compensation plans	8.9	18.4
Payment of dividends	(15.8)	(15.6)
Other	(1.2)	(1.0)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(30.2)	(5.5)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	0.6	(0.2)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(81.5)	62.1
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	444.1	399.7
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 362.6	\$ 461.8

See accompanying notes

1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

Principles of consolidation

The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Scholastic Corporation (the “Corporation”) and all wholly-owned and majority-owned subsidiaries (collectively, “Scholastic” or the “Company”). Intercompany transactions are eliminated in consolidation. These financial statements have not been audited but reflect those adjustments consisting of normal recurring items that management considers necessary for a fair presentation of financial position, results of operations, comprehensive income (loss) and cash flows. These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended May 31, 2017 (the “Annual Report”).

The Company’s fiscal year is not a calendar year. Accordingly, references in this document to fiscal 2017 relate to the twelve-month period ended May 31, 2017. Certain reclassifications have been made to conform to the current year presentation.

Seasonality

The Company’s *Children’s Book Publishing and Distribution* school-based book fair and book club channels and most of its *Education* businesses operate on a school-year basis; therefore, the Company’s business is highly seasonal. As a result, the Company’s revenues in the first and third quarters of the fiscal year generally are lower than its revenues in the other two fiscal quarters. Typically, school-based channel and classroom magazine revenues are minimal in the first quarter of the fiscal year as schools are not in session. Trade sales can vary through the year due to varying release dates of published titles. The Company generally experiences a loss from operations in the first and third quarters of each fiscal year.

Use of estimates

The Company’s condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Regulation S-X. The preparation of these financial statements involves the use of estimates and assumptions by management, which affects the amounts reported in the condensed consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. The Company bases its estimates on historical experience, current business factors, and various other assumptions believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, all of which are necessary in order to form a basis for determining the carrying values of assets and liabilities. Actual results may differ from those estimates and assumptions. On an on-going basis, the Company evaluates the adequacy of its reserves and the estimates used in calculations, including, but not limited to:

- Accounts receivable reserves for returns
- Accounts receivable allowance for doubtful accounts
- Pension and other post-retirement obligations
- Uncertain tax positions
- The timing and amount of future income taxes and related deductions
- Inventory reserves
- Cost of goods sold from book fair operations during interim periods determined based on estimated gross profit rates
- Sales tax contingencies
- Royalty advance reserves
- Unredeemed incentive programs
- Impairment testing for goodwill for assessment and measurement, intangibles and other long-lived assets and investments
- Assets and liabilities acquired in business combinations
- Revenues for fairs which have not reported final results

New Accounting Pronouncements

Forthcoming Adoptions:

Topic 606, Revenue from Contracts with Customers

In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (the "FASB") announced that it is amending the FASB Accounting Standards Codification by issuing Accounting Standards Update (the "ASU") 2014-09, Topic 606, Revenue from Contracts with Customers (the "New Revenue Standard"). The amendments in this ASU provide a single model for use in accounting for revenue arising from contracts with customers and supersede current revenue recognition guidance, including industry-specific revenue guidance. The core principle of the ASU is that revenue should be recognized to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods and services. New disclosures about the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from contracts with customers are also required. In August 2015, the FASB issued ASU 2015-14 which deferred the effective date of the New Revenue Standard. In 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-08, ASU 2016-10, ASU 2016-11, and ASU 2016-12 to clarify, among other things, the implementation guidance related to principal versus agent considerations, identifying performance obligations and accounting for licenses of intellectual property. The amendments in this update are to be applied on a retrospective basis, either to each prior reporting period presented or by presenting the cumulative effect of applying the update recognized at the date of initial application.

The New Revenue Standard will be effective for the Company in the first quarter of fiscal 2019. The Company is evaluating the adoption methodology and the impact on its consolidated financial position, results of operations and cash flows, including assessing the impact of the guidance across all of its revenue streams. This includes a review of current accounting policies and practices to identify potential differences that would result from applying the guidance. While this evaluation is in progress, and the impact is not fully assessed, the Company believes this standard will result in changes relating to the reporting periods in which certain revenues associated with incentive programs within the Company's school channels are recognized.

2. DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

The Company continuously evaluates its portfolio of businesses for both impairment and economic viability, as well as for possible strategic dispositions. The Company monitors the expected cash proceeds to be realized from the disposition of discontinued operations' assets, and adjusts asset values accordingly.

During the three and nine month periods ended February 28, 2018, the Company did not dispose of any components of the business that would meet the criteria for discontinued operations reporting.

As of May 31, 2017 and February 28, 2017, assets and liabilities of discontinued operations, and losses from discontinued operations for the three and nine month periods ended February 28, 2017 primarily related to insignificant continuing cash flows from passive activities.

3. SEGMENT INFORMATION

The Company categorizes its businesses into three reportable segments: *Children's Book Publishing and Distribution* and *Education*, which comprise the Company's domestic operations; and *International*.

- **Children's Book Publishing and Distribution** operates as an integrated business which includes the publication and distribution of children's books, ebooks, media and interactive products in the United States through its book clubs and book fairs in its school channels and through the trade channel. This segment is comprised of three operating segments.
- **Education** includes the publication and distribution to schools and libraries of children's books, classroom magazines, supplemental and core classroom materials and related support services, and print and on-line reference and non-fiction products for grades pre-kindergarten to 12 in the United States. This segment is comprised of two operating segments.

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- **International** includes the publication and distribution of products and services outside the United States by the Company’s international operations, and its export and foreign rights businesses. This segment is comprised of three operating segments.

	Children’s Book Publishing & Distribution	Education	Overhead (1)	Total Domestic	International	Total
Three months ended February 28, 2018						
Revenues	\$ 199.4	\$ 61.7	\$ —	\$ 261.1	\$ 83.6	\$ 344.7
Bad debt	0.7	0.4	—	1.1	0.6	1.7
Depreciation and amortization (2)	5.4	2.3	7.5	15.2	1.8	17.0
Asset impairments	—	—	4.3	4.3	—	4.3
Segment operating income (loss)	(0.9)	(0.2)	(23.3)	(24.4)	0.7	(23.7)
Expenditures for other non-current assets (3)	17.2	5.0	29.7	51.9	5.7	57.6
Three months ended February 28, 2017						
Revenues	\$ 199.0	\$ 60.1	\$ —	\$ 259.1	\$ 77.1	\$ 336.2
Bad debt	0.1	0.4	—	0.5	1.1	1.6
Depreciation and amortization (2)	5.3	2.1	6.0	13.4	1.6	15.0
Segment operating income (loss)	6.3	3.5	(30.8)	(21.0)	(3.7)	(24.7)
Expenditures for other non-current assets (3)	14.9	2.8	13.9	31.6	2.5	34.1

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	Children's Book Publishing & Distribution	Education	Overhead (1)	Total Domestic	International	Total
Nine months ended February 28, 2018						
Revenues	\$ 678.0	\$ 177.6	\$ —	\$ 855.6	\$ 276.6	\$ 1,132.2
Bad debt expense	3.4	1.4		4.8	3.1	7.9
Depreciation and amortization (2)	15.8	6.6	20.7	43.1	5.2	48.3
Asset impairments	—	—	11.0	11.0	—	11.0
Segment operating income (loss)	55.3	(8.9)	(77.3)	(30.9)	12.6	(18.3)
Segment assets at February 28, 2018	494.8	179.1	886.1	1,560.0	273.7	1,833.7
Goodwill at February 28, 2018	40.9	68.2	—	109.1	10.0	119.1
Expenditures for other non-current assets (3)	44.9	12.5	78.4	135.8	10.7	146.5
Other non-current assets at February 28, 2018 (3)	152.0	99.7	466.5	718.2	75.5	793.7
Nine months ended February 28, 2017						
Revenues	\$ 769.3	\$ 186.4	\$ —	\$ 955.7	\$ 286.3	\$ 1,242.0
Bad debt expense	3.3	0.9	—	4.2	5.1	9.3
Depreciation and amortization (2)	16.6	6.2	17.4	40.2	5.6	45.8
Segment operating income (loss)	91.2	7.8	(91.3)	7.7	17.2	24.9
Segment assets at February 28, 2017	478.4	158.8	948.7	1,585.9	261.3	1,847.2
Goodwill at February 28, 2017	40.9	65.4	—	106.3	9.9	116.2
Expenditures for other non-current assets (3)	52.2	7.8	28.5	88.5	8.5	97.0
Other non-current assets at February 28, 2017 (3)	146.9	83.7	398.6	629.2	66.4	695.6

(1) Overhead includes all domestic corporate amounts not allocated to segments, including expenses and costs related to the management of corporate assets. Unallocated assets are principally comprised of deferred income taxes and property, plant and equipment related to the Company's headquarters in the metropolitan New York area, its fulfillment and distribution facilities located in Missouri and its facility located in Connecticut.

(2) Includes depreciation of property, plant and equipment and amortization of intangible assets and prepublication and production costs.

(3) Other non-current assets include property, plant and equipment, prepublication assets, production assets, royalty advances, goodwill, intangible assets and investments. Expenditures for other non-current assets for the International reportable segment include expenditures for long-lived assets of \$3.6 and \$1.5 for the three months and \$6.6 and \$4.8 for the nine months ended February 28, 2018 and February 28, 2017, respectively. Other non-current assets for the International reportable segment include long-lived assets of \$35.8 and \$33.4 as of February 28, 2018 and February 28, 2017, respectively.

4. DEBT

The following table summarizes the carrying value of the Company's debt as of the dates indicated:

	February 28, 2018		May 31, 2017		February 28, 2017	
Revolving Loan	\$	—	\$	—	\$	—
Unsecured short term lines of credit (weighted average interest rates of 3.7%, 4.1% and 3.9%, respectively)		7.7		6.2		5.8
Total debt	\$	7.7	\$	6.2	\$	5.8

The fair value of the Company's debt approximates the carrying value for all periods presented. The Company's debt obligations as of February 28, 2018, have maturities of one year or less.

Loan Agreement

On January 5, 2017, Scholastic Corporation and Scholastic Inc. (each, a "Borrower" and together, the "Borrowers") entered into a new 5-year credit facility with certain banks (the "Loan Agreement"). The Loan Agreement replaced the Company's then existing loan agreement and has substantially similar terms, except that:

- (i) the borrowing limit was reduced to \$375.0 from \$425.0;
- (ii) the "starter" basket for permitted payments of dividends and other payments in respect of capital stock was increased to \$275.0 from \$75.0; and
- (iii) the maturity date was extended to January 5, 2022.

The Loan Agreement allows the Company to borrow, repay or prepay and reborrow at any time prior to the January 5, 2022 maturity date. Under the Loan Agreement, interest on amounts borrowed thereunder is due and payable in arrears on the last day of the interest period (defined as the period commencing on the date of the advance and ending on the last day of the period selected by the Borrower at the time each advance is made). The interest pricing under the Loan Agreement is dependent upon the Borrower's election of a rate that is either:

- A Base Rate equal to the higher of (i) the prime rate, (ii) the prevailing Federal Funds rate plus 0.50% or (iii) the Eurodollar Rate for a one month interest period plus 1% plus, in each case, an applicable spread ranging from 0.175% to 0.60%, as determined by the Company's prevailing consolidated debt to total capital ratio.

- or -

- A Eurodollar Rate equal to the London interbank offered rate (LIBOR) plus an applicable spread ranging from 1.175% to 1.60%, as determined by the Company's prevailing consolidated debt to total capital ratio.

As of February 28, 2018, the indicated spread on Base Rate Advances was 0.175% and the indicated spread on Eurodollar Advances was 1.175%, both based on the Company's prevailing consolidated debt to total capital ratio.

The Loan Agreement also provides for the payment of a facility fee in respect of the aggregate amount of revolving credit commitments ranging from 0.20% to 0.40% per annum based upon the Company's prevailing consolidated debt to total capital ratio. At February 28, 2018, the facility fee rate was 0.20%.

A portion of the revolving credit facility up to a maximum of \$50.0 is available for the issuance of letters of credit. In addition, a portion of the revolving credit facility up to a maximum of \$15.0 is available for swingline loans. The Loan Agreement has an accordion feature which permits the Company, provided certain conditions are satisfied, to increase the facility by up to an additional \$150.0.

As of February 28, 2018, the Company had no outstanding borrowings under the Loan Agreement. At February 28, 2018, the Company had open standby letters of credit totaling \$5.3 issued under certain credit lines, including \$0.4 under the Loan Agreement and \$4.9 under the domestic credit lines discussed below.

The Loan Agreement contains certain covenants, including interest coverage and leverage ratio tests and certain limitations on the amount of dividends and other distributions, and at February 28, 2018, the Company was in compliance with these covenants.

Lines of Credit

As of February 28, 2018, the Company's domestic credit lines available under unsecured money market bid rate credit lines totaled \$25.0. There were no outstanding borrowings under these credit lines as of February 28, 2018, May 31, 2017 or February 28, 2017. As of February 28, 2018, availability under these unsecured money market bid rate credit lines totaled \$20.1. All loans made under these credit lines are at the sole discretion of the lender and at an interest rate and term agreed to at the time each loan is made, but not to exceed 365 days. These credit lines may be renewed, if requested by the Company, at the option of the lender.

As of February 28, 2018, the Company had equivalent various local currency credit lines totaling \$24.4 underwritten by banks primarily in the United States, Canada and the United Kingdom. Outstanding borrowings under these facilities were equivalent to \$7.7, at February 28, 2018 at a weighted average interest rate of 3.7%, \$6.2 at May 31, 2017 at a weighted average interest rate of 4.1% and \$5.8 at February 28, 2017 at a weighted average interest rate of 3.9%. As of February 28, 2018, the equivalent amounts available under these facilities totaled \$16.7. These credit lines are typically available for overdraft borrowings or loans up to 364 days and may be renewed, if requested by the Company, at the sole option of the lender.

5. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Various claims and lawsuits arising in the normal course of business are pending against the Company. The Company accrues a liability for such matters when it is probable that a liability has occurred and the amount of such liability can be reasonably estimated. When only a range can be estimated, the most probable amount in the range is accrued unless no amount within the range is a better estimate than any other amount, in which case the minimum amount in the range is accrued. Legal costs associated with litigation loss contingencies are expensed in the period in which they are incurred. The Company does not expect, in the case of those various claims and lawsuits arising in the normal course of business where a loss is considered probable or reasonably possible, that the reasonably possible losses from such claims and lawsuits (either individually or in the aggregate) would have a material adverse effect on the Company's consolidated financial position or results of operations. See Note 14, "Income Taxes and Other Taxes," for further discussion.

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6. EARNINGS (LOSS) PER SHARE

The following table summarizes the reconciliation of the numerators and denominators for the basic and diluted earnings (loss) per share computation for the periods indicated:

	Three months ended February 28,		Nine months ended February 28,	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Earnings (loss) from continuing operations attributable to Class A and Common Shares	\$ (49.2)	\$ (15.5)	\$ (55.8)	\$ 12.9
Earnings (loss) from discontinued operations attributable to Class A and Common Shares, net of tax	—	0.1	—	0.0
Net income (loss) attributable to Class A and Common Shares	\$ (49.2)	\$ (15.4)	\$ (55.8)	\$ 12.9
Weighted average Shares of Class A Stock and Common Stock outstanding for basic earnings (loss) per share (in millions)	34.9	34.8	35.1	34.6
Dilutive effect of Class A Stock and Common Stock potentially issuable pursuant to stock-based compensation plans (in millions)	—	—	—	0.7
Adjusted weighted average Shares of Class A Stock and Common Stock outstanding for diluted earnings (loss) per share (in millions)	34.9	34.8	35.1	35.3
Earnings (loss) per share of Class A Stock and Common Stock:				
Basic earnings (loss) per share:				
Earnings (loss) from continuing operations	\$ (1.41)	\$ (0.45)	\$ (1.59)	\$ 0.37
Earnings (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax	\$ —	\$ 0.01	\$ —	\$ 0.00
Net income (loss)	\$ (1.41)	\$ (0.44)	\$ (1.59)	\$ 0.37
Diluted earnings (loss) per share:				
Earnings (loss) from continuing operations	\$ (1.41)	\$ (0.45)	\$ (1.59)	\$ 0.36
Earnings (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax	\$ —	\$ 0.01	\$ —	\$ 0.00
Net income (loss)	\$ (1.41)	\$ (0.44)	\$ (1.59)	\$ 0.36

The following table sets forth Options outstanding pursuant to stock-based compensation plans as of the dates indicated:

	February 28, 2018	February 28, 2017
Options outstanding pursuant to stock-based compensation plans (in millions)	3.1	2.9

Earnings from continuing operations exclude earnings of less than \$0.1 for the nine months ended February 28, 2017, attributable to participating Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs").

In a period in which the Company reports a discontinued operation, Earnings (loss) from continuing operations attributable to Class A and Common Shares is used as the "control number" in determining whether potentially dilutive common shares are dilutive or anti-dilutive. There were 1.5 million potentially anti-dilutive shares outstanding pursuant to compensation plans as of February 28, 2018.

A portion of the Company's Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") which are granted to employees participate in earnings through cumulative dividends payable to the employees upon vesting of the RSUs. Accordingly, the Company measures earnings per share based upon the lower of the Two-class method or the Treasury Stock method. Since, under the Two-class method, losses are not allocated to the participating securities, in periods of loss the Two-class method is not applicable.

As of February 28, 2018, \$13.4 remained available for future purchases of common shares under the repurchase authorization of the Board of Directors (the "Board") in effect on that date. See Note 11, "Treasury Stock," for a

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more complete description of the Company's share buy-back program and see Note 17, "Subsequent Events" for information concerning a subsequent increase in the share repurchase authorization.

7. GOODWILL AND OTHER INTANGIBLES

The Company assesses goodwill and other intangible assets with indefinite lives annually or more frequently if impairment indicators are such that the goodwill is more likely than not impaired. The Company continues to monitor impairment indicators in light of changes in market conditions, near and long-term demand for the Company's products and other relevant factors.

The following table summarizes the activity in Goodwill for the periods indicated:

	Nine months ended February 28, 2018		Twelve months ended May 31, 2017		Nine months ended February 28, 2017	
Beginning balance	\$	118.9	\$	116.2	\$	116.2
Additions		—		2.8		—
Foreign currency translation		0.2		(0.1)		(0.0)
Total goodwill	\$	119.1	\$	118.9	\$	116.2

Accumulated goodwill impairment losses totaled \$39.6 as of February 28, 2018, May 31, 2017 and February 28, 2017. There were no goodwill impairment losses during the nine months ended February 28, 2018 and February 28, 2017.

The following table summarizes the activity in other intangibles included in "Other assets and deferred charges" on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets for the periods indicated:

	Nine months ended February 28, 2018		Twelve months ended May 31, 2017		Nine months ended February 28, 2017	
Beginning balance other intangibles subject to amortization	\$	9.0	\$	4.7	\$	4.7
Additions		1.5		7.0		0.2
Amortization expense		(1.6)		(2.5)		(1.8)
Foreign currency translation		0.1		(0.2)		(0.2)
Total other intangibles subject to amortization, net of accumulated amortization of \$23.6, \$22.0 and \$21.3, respectively	\$	9.0	\$	9.0	\$	2.9
Total other intangibles not subject to amortization	\$	2.1	\$	2.1	\$	2.1
Total other intangibles	\$	11.1	\$	11.1	\$	5.0

In the third quarter of fiscal 2018, the Company purchased a UK-based book distribution business resulting in the recognition of \$1.4 of amortizable intangible assets. In the first quarter of fiscal 2018, the Company purchased a U.S.-based book fair business resulting in the recognition of \$0.1 of amortizable intangible assets.

Intangible assets with definite lives consist principally of customer lists, intellectual property rights and other agreements. Intangible assets with definite lives are amortized over their estimated useful lives. The weighted-average remaining useful lives of all amortizable intangible assets is approximately 4.2 years. Intangible assets with indefinite lives consist principally of trademark and trademark rights.

8. INVESTMENTS

Included in "Other assets and deferred charges" on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets were investments of \$33.1, \$28.6 and \$27.1 at February 28, 2018, May 31, 2017 and February 28, 2017, respectively.

The Company's 48.5% equity interest in Make Believe Ideas Limited ("MBI"), a UK-based children's book publishing company, is accounted for using the equity method of accounting. Under the purchase agreement, and subject to its provisions, the Company will likely purchase the remaining outstanding shares in MBI following

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the completion of MBI's accounts for the calendar year 2018. The net carrying value of this investment was \$11.2, \$8.6 and \$8.0 at February 28, 2018, May 31, 2017 and February 28, 2017, respectively. Equity method income from this investment is reported in the *International* segment.

The Company's 26.2% non-controlling interest in a separate children's book publishing business located in the UK is accounted for using the equity method of accounting. The net carrying value of this investment was \$21.8, \$20.0 and \$19.1 at February 28, 2018, May 31, 2017 and February 28, 2017, respectively. Equity method income from this investment is reported in the *International* segment.

The Company has other equity and cost method investments that had a net carrying value of \$0.1, less than \$0.1 and less than \$0.1 at February 28, 2018, May 31, 2017 and February 28, 2017, respectively.

Income from equity investments reported in "Selling, general and administrative expenses" in the condensed consolidated statements of operations totaled \$3.7 and \$4.9 for the nine months ended February 28, 2018 and February 28, 2017, respectively.

9. EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS

The following table sets forth components of the net periodic (benefit) cost for the periods indicated under the Company's cash balance retirement plan for its United States employees meeting certain eligibility requirements (the "U.S. Pension Plan") and the defined benefit pension plan of Scholastic Ltd., an indirect subsidiary of Scholastic Corporation located in the United Kingdom (the "UK Pension Plan" and, together with the U.S. Pension Plan, the "Pension Plans"). Also included are the post-retirement benefits, consisting of certain healthcare and life insurance benefits provided by the Company to its eligible retired United States-based employees (the "Post-Retirement Benefits"). The Pension Plans and Post-Retirement Benefits include participants associated with both continuing operations and discontinued operations.

	U.S. Pension Plan		UK Pension Plan		Post-Retirement Benefits	
	Three months ended February 28,		Three months ended February 28,		Three months ended February 28,	
	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017
Components of net periodic (benefit) cost:						
Service cost	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
Interest cost	0.5	0.8	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2
Expected return on assets	(1.1)	(1.5)	(0.3)	(0.3)	—	—
Benefit cost of settlement event	39.6	—	—	—	—	—
Amortization of (gain) loss	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.0	(1.0)
Net periodic (benefit) cost	\$ 39.3	\$ (0.5)	\$ 0.3	\$ 0.2	\$ 0.2	\$ (0.8)

	U.S. Pension Plan		UK Pension Plan		Post-Retirement Benefits	
	Nine months ended February 28,		Nine months ended February 28,		Nine months ended February 28,	
	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017
Components of net periodic (benefit) cost:						
Service cost	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
Interest cost	1.9	2.4	0.8	0.9	0.7	0.8
Expected return on assets	(4.0)	(4.6)	(0.8)	(0.8)	—	—
Net amortization of prior service credit	—	—	—	—	—	—
Benefit cost of settlement event	55.0	—	—	—	—	—
Amortization of (gain) loss	0.9	0.7	0.9	0.6	0.0	0.2
Net periodic cost (credit)	\$ 53.8	\$ (1.5)	\$ 0.9	\$ 0.7	\$ 0.7	\$ 1.0

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The Company's funding practice with respect to the Pension Plans is to contribute on an annual basis at least the minimum amounts required by applicable laws. For the nine months ended February 28, 2018, the Company made no contribution to the U.S. Pension Plan and contributed \$0.8 to the UK Pension Plan. The Company expects, based on actuarial calculations, to contribute cash of approximately \$1.1 to the UK Pension Plan for the fiscal year ending May 31, 2018.

On July 20, 2016, the Board approved the termination of the U.S. Pension Plan, in which all benefit accruals were previously frozen as of June 1, 2009. Based on the U.S. Pension Plan's funded status and the frozen benefit, it was determined that the on-going costs of maintaining the U.S. Pension Plan were growing at a greater rate than the benefit delivered to the Company's employees and former employees.

During the nine months ended February 28, 2018, the U.S. Pension Plan made \$37.8 of lump sum benefit payments to vested plan participants in excess of interest costs. Then, on February 14, 2018, the Company agreed to purchase group annuity contracts for the remaining U.S. Pension Plan participants. The total cost of these contracts was \$86.3, paid to the respective insurers on February 21, 2018, resulting in a final settlement charge. The net funded asset position of the U.S. Pension Plan had previously included the value of the insurance contracts and lump sums settled prior to the purchase of such contracts. The U.S. Pension Plan's asset balance was sufficient to fund the purchase of these insurance contracts as well as any remaining benefit obligations and plan-related operating expenses, with no additional cost to the Company as the plan sponsor.

As a result, a remeasurement was completed on the final settlement date and a pretax settlement charge of \$55.0 was recognized in the Company's Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations in Other components of net periodic benefit (cost) as part of Earnings (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes. The fair value of the U.S. Pension Plan assets as of February 20, 2018 was used in determining the appropriate unrecognized loss to be used in the pretax settlement charge.

The net funded asset position of the U.S. Pension Plan as of February 28, 2018 is estimated to be \$2.3. This amount reflects an asset of \$3.6 that will be used to pay approximately \$1.3 of annuity benefit payments in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2018 and any plan-related expenses. There are no actuarial assumptions reflected in any U.S. Pension Plan estimates and there is no ongoing periodic benefit cost for the remainder of fiscal 2018. Any difference between actual payments made and the net funded asset position measured at February 28, 2018, will be treated as an actuarial gain/loss and will be fully recognized in Other components of net periodic benefit (cost) as part of Earnings (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes.

10. STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

The following table summarizes stock-based compensation expense included in Selling, general and administrative expenses for the periods indicated:

	Three months ended February 28,		Nine months ended February 28,	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Stock option expense	\$ 0.8	\$ 0.9	\$ 6.2	\$ 6.0
Restricted stock unit expense	0.6	0.6	2.0	2.0
Management stock purchase plan	0.1	0.1	0.7	0.5
Employee stock purchase plan	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.2
Total stock-based compensation expense	\$ 1.6	\$ 1.6	\$ 9.1	\$ 8.7

The following table sets forth Common Stock issued pursuant to stock-based compensation plans as of the dates indicated:

	Three months ended February 28,		Nine months ended February 28,	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Common Stock issued pursuant to stock-based compensation plans (in millions)	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.7

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11. TREASURY STOCK

The Board has authorized the Company to repurchase Common Stock, from time to time as conditions allow, on the open market or through negotiated private transactions.

The table below represents the Board authorization at the date indicated:

	Amount
July 2015	\$ 50.0
Less repurchases made under the authorization as of February 28, 2018	(36.6)
Remaining Board authorization at February 28, 2018	\$ 13.4

On July 22, 2015, the Board authorized \$50.0 for the share buy-back program, to be funded with available cash. Repurchases of Common Stock were \$11.8 and \$25.1 during the three and nine months ended February 28, 2018, respectively. See Note 17, "Subsequent Events" for a description of the most recent share buy-back program authorization on March 21, 2018. The Company's repurchase program may be suspended at any time without prior notice.

12. ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

The following tables summarize the activity in Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax, by component for the periods indicated:

	Three months ended February 28, 2018		
	Foreign currency	Retirement benefit plans	Total
	translation adjustments		
Beginning balance at December 1, 2017	\$ (41.5)	\$ (39.4)	\$ (80.9)
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications (net of tax)	2.2	—	2.2
Less amount reclassified from Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss):			
Amortization (net of tax of \$0.1)	—	0.5	0.5
Settlement (net of tax of \$15.8)	—	23.8	23.8
Other reclassifications (net of tax benefit of \$1.4)	—	(2.1)	(2.1)
Other comprehensive income (loss)	2.2	22.2	24.4
Ending balance at February 28, 2018	\$ (39.3)	\$ (17.2)	\$ (56.5)

	Three months ended February 28, 2017		
	Foreign currency	Retirement benefit plans	Total
	translation adjustments		
Beginning balance at December 1, 2016	\$ (47.0)	\$ (45.3)	\$ (92.3)
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications (net of tax)	0.9	—	0.9
Less amount reclassified from Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss):			
Amortization (net of tax of \$0.3)	—	0.7	0.7
Other comprehensive income (loss)	0.9	0.7	1.6
Ending balance at February 28, 2017	\$ (46.1)	\$ (44.6)	\$ (90.7)

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	Nine months ended February 28, 2018			
	Foreign currency translation adjustments	Retirement benefit plans	Total	
Beginning balance at June 1, 2017	\$ (45.3)	\$ (48.9)	\$	(94.2)
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications (net of tax)	6.0	—		6.0
Less amount reclassified from Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss):				
Amortization (net of tax of \$0.4)	—	1.4		1.4
Settlement (net of tax of \$22.0)	—	33.0		33.0
Other reclassifications (net of tax benefit of \$1.9)	—	(2.7)		(2.7)
Other comprehensive income (loss)	6.0	31.7		37.7
Ending balance at February 28, 2018	\$ (39.3)	\$ (17.2)	\$	(56.5)

	Nine months ended February 28, 2017			
	Foreign currency translation adjustments	Retirement benefit plans	Total	
Beginning balance at June 1, 2016	\$ (40.0)	\$ (46.7)	\$	(86.7)
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications (net of tax)	(6.1)	—		(6.1)
Less amount reclassified from Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss):				
Amortization (net of tax of \$1.0)	—	2.1		2.1
Other comprehensive income (loss)	(6.1)	2.1		(4.0)
Ending balance at February 28, 2017	\$ (46.1)	\$ (44.6)	\$	(90.7)

The following table presents the impact on earnings of reclassifications out of Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) for the periods indicated:

	Three months ended February 28,		Nine months ended February 28,		Affected line items in the condensed consolidated statements of operations
	2018	2017	2018	2017	
Employee benefit plans:					
Amortization of unrecognized gain (loss)	\$ 0.6	\$ 1.0	\$ 1.8	\$ 3.1	Other components of net periodic benefit (cost)
Settlement charge	39.6	—	55.0	—	Other components of net periodic benefit (cost)
Other reclassifications, net	(3.4)	—	(4.6)	—	Other components of net periodic benefit (cost)
Less: Tax effect	(14.6)	(0.3)	(20.6)	(1.0)	Provision (benefit) for income taxes
Total cost, net of tax	\$ 22.2	\$ 0.7	\$ 31.6	\$ 2.1	

13. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The Company determines the appropriate level in the fair value hierarchy for each fair value measurement of assets and liabilities carried at fair value on a recurring basis in the Company's financial statements. The fair value hierarchy prioritizes the inputs, which refer to assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability, based upon the highest and best use, into three levels as follows:

- **Level 1** Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities at the measurement date.
- **Level 2** Observable inputs other than unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities such as
 - Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets
 - Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets
 - Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability
 - Inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means
- **Level 3** Unobservable inputs in which there is little or no market data available, which are significant to the fair value measurement and require the Company to develop its own assumptions.

The Company's financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value consisted of cash and cash equivalents, debt and foreign currency forward contracts. Cash and cash equivalents are comprised of bank deposits and short-term investments, such as money market funds, the fair value of which is based on quoted market prices, a Level 1 fair value measure. The Company employs Level 2 fair value measurements for the disclosure of the fair value of its various lines of credit. The fair value of the Company's debt approximates the carrying value for all periods presented. The fair values of foreign currency forward contracts, used by the Company to manage the impact of foreign exchange rate changes to the financial statements, are based on quotations from financial institutions, a Level 2 fair value measure. See Note 15, "Derivatives and Hedging," for a more complete description of fair value measurements employed.

Non-financial assets and liabilities for which the Company employs fair value measures on a non-recurring basis include:

- Long-lived assets
- Investments
- Assets acquired in a business combination
- Goodwill, definite and indefinite-lived intangible assets
- Long-lived assets held for sale

Level 2 and level 3 inputs are employed by the Company in the fair value measurement of these assets and liabilities. For the fair value measurements employed by the Company for goodwill see Note 7, "Goodwill and Other Intangibles." For the fair value measurements employed by the Company for certain property, plant and equipment, production assets, investments and prepublication assets, the Company assesses future expected cash flows attributable to these assets.

14. INCOME TAXES AND OTHER TAXES

Income Taxes

In calculating the provision for income taxes on an interim basis, the Company uses an estimate of the annual effective tax rate based upon the facts and circumstances known and applies that rate to its year-to-date earnings or losses. The Company's effective tax rate is based on expected income and statutory tax rates and takes into consideration permanent differences between financial statement and tax return income applicable to the Company in the various jurisdictions in which the Company operates. The effect of discrete items, such as changes in estimates, changes in enacted tax laws or rates or tax status, and unusual or infrequently occurring events, is recognized in the interim period in which the discrete item occurs. The accounting estimates used to compute the provision for income taxes may change as new events occur, additional information is obtained or as the result of new judicial interpretations or regulatory or tax law changes.

The Company's annual effective tax rate, exclusive of discrete items, is expected to be approximately 33.9%. The interim effective tax rate, inclusive of discrete items, was 22.3% and 23.8% for the three and nine month periods

ended February 28, 2018, respectively. On December 22, 2017, the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the "Act") was signed into law resulting in a significant change in the framework for U.S. corporate taxes. The Act reduces the U.S. federal corporate tax rate from 35% to 21%, requires companies to pay a one-time transition tax on earnings of certain foreign subsidiaries that were previously tax deferred and creates new taxes on certain foreign sourced earnings. As a result, the Company's income tax benefit for each of the three and nine month periods ended February 28, 2018 includes expense related to the re-measurement of the Company's U.S. deferred tax balances of \$8.3, based upon the Company's estimate of the amount and timing of future income taxes and related deductions. The Company does not expect to incur a one-time transition tax on earnings of foreign subsidiaries.

The re-measurement of the Company's U.S. deferred tax balances, any transition tax and interpretation of the new law is provisional subject to clarifications of the new legislation and final calculations. Any future changes to the Company's provisional estimates, related to Act, will be reflected as a change in estimate in the period in which the change in estimate is made in accordance with Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 118, *Income Tax Accounting Implications of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act* ("SAB 118"). SAB 118 allows for a measurement period of up to one year after the enactment date of the Act to finalize the recording of the related tax impacts.

The Act also subjects a U.S. shareholder to tax on global intangible low-taxed income ("GILTI") earned by certain foreign subsidiaries. The FASB Staff Q&A, Topic 740, No. 5, *Accounting for Global Intangible Low-Taxed Income*, states that an entity can make an accounting policy election to either recognize deferred taxes for temporary basis differences expected to reverse as GILTI in future years or provide for the tax expense related to GILTI in the year the tax is incurred. The Company is still evaluating the effects of the GILTI provisions and has not yet determined an accounting policy or a reasonable estimate of a potential impact (if any). The Company has not reflected any adjustments related to GILTI in the financial statements.

The Company, including its domestic subsidiaries, files a consolidated U.S. income tax return, and also files tax returns in various states and other local jurisdictions. Also, certain subsidiaries of the Company file income tax returns in foreign jurisdictions. The Company is routinely audited by various tax authorities.

Non-income Taxes

The Company is subject to tax examinations for sales-based taxes. A number of these examinations are ongoing and, in certain cases, have resulted in assessments from taxing authorities. The Company assesses sales tax contingencies for each jurisdiction in which it operates, considering all relevant facts including statutes, regulations, case law and experience. When a sales tax liability with respect to a particular jurisdiction is probable and can be reliably estimated for such jurisdiction, the Company has made accruals for these matters which are reflected in the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements in Selling, general and administrative expenses. Future developments relating to the foregoing could result in adjustments being made to these accruals.

The State of Wisconsin has assessed Scholastic Book Fairs, Inc. ("SBF"), a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, \$5.4, exclusive of penalties and interest, for sales tax in fiscal years 2004 through 2014. Based upon the facts and circumstances and the relevant laws in the State of Wisconsin, the Company does not believe these assessments are merited and has elected to litigate these assessments. While the Company believes it will prevail in this litigation and accordingly has not recognized a liability for these assessments, the results of litigation cannot be assured and it is reasonably possible that SBF could be found liable for all or a portion of the amounts assessed.

15. DERIVATIVES AND HEDGING

The Company enters into foreign currency derivative contracts to economically hedge the exposure to foreign currency fluctuations associated with the forecasted purchase of inventory and the foreign exchange risk associated with certain receivables denominated in foreign currencies and certain future commitments for foreign expenditures. These derivative contracts are economic hedges and are not designated as cash flow hedges. The Company marks-to-market these instruments and records the changes in the fair value of these items in Selling, general and administrative expenses in the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations, and it recognizes the unrealized gain or loss in other current assets or current liabilities. In the fiscal quarter ended February 28, 2018, the Company settled an existing foreign currency derivative which resulted in net cash proceeds of \$0.9. Income related to the foreign currency derivative was \$0.3 and \$0.6 for the three and nine

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months ended February 28, 2018, respectively, and \$0.1 and \$0.1 for the three and nine months ended February 28, 2017, respectively. The notional values of the open contracts as of February 28, 2018 and February 28, 2017 were \$27.5 and \$36.7, respectively. Unrealized losses of \$0.3 and unrealized gains of \$0.1 were recognized at February 28, 2018 and February 28, 2017, respectively, for the nine month periods then ended.

16. OTHER ACCRUED EXPENSES

Other accrued expenses consist of the following as of the dates indicated:

	February 28, 2018		May 31, 2017		February 28, 2017
Accrued payroll, payroll taxes and benefits	\$ 44.8	\$	48.5	\$	45.0
Accrued bonus and commissions	19.9		33.8		20.1
Accrued other taxes	23.4		26.1		24.7
Accrued advertising and promotions	35.8		34.9		34.9
Accrued insurance	8.1		7.6		8.1
Other accrued expenses	30.6		27.1		29.0
Total accrued expenses	\$ 162.6	\$	178.0	\$	161.8

17. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Board declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.15 per share on the Company's Class A and Common Stock for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2018. The dividend is payable on June 15, 2018 to shareholders of record as of the close of business on April 30, 2018.

On March 21, 2018, the Board authorized an additional \$50.0 for repurchases of common stock under the Company's stock repurchase program. Under this program, which will continue to be funded with available cash, the Company may purchase shares, from time to time as conditions allow, on the open market or in negotiated private transactions. This authorization increases the aggregate amount of shares, in dollar terms, which may be repurchased to \$61.4 as of March 21, 2018, after giving effect to the remaining amounts available for share repurchases under previous authorizations.

Overview and Outlook

Revenues from continuing operations in the quarter ended February 28, 2018 were \$344.7 million, compared to \$336.2 million in the prior fiscal year quarter, an increase of \$8.5 million. The Company reported net loss per basic and diluted share of Class A and Common Stock of \$1.41 in the third quarter of fiscal 2018, compared to net loss per basic and diluted share of \$0.44 in the prior fiscal year quarter, which reflects both continuing and discontinued operations.

In the quarter ended February 28, 2018, operating results were mainly driven by top line growth in each reportable segment. There was an unfavorable impact on margins in the quarter ended February 28, 2018 due to the planned expansion of the Company's education sales teams to meet the anticipated demand for the Company's comprehensive core literacy programs, higher licensing fees related to the roll-out of a new point-of-sale system for the Company's book fairs operations, and the effect of a beneficial inventory adjustment taken in the prior fiscal quarter in the book club channel. Unallocated overhead expenses benefited from lower salary-related expenses in the quarter ended February 28, 2018. The Company's effective federal tax rate decreased as a result of the passage of tax reform, although the full effect of the lower corporate tax rate will not be realized until next fiscal year.

Although the third fiscal quarter operating loss reflected planned higher levels of investment, all reportable segments showed top-line growth, including strong trade publishing sales across all international markets, with Dav Pilkey's *Dog Man and Cat Kid*, a number one best-seller in the U.S. The Company's prospects for future profitability and cash flow will accelerate as work is completed on the Company's headquarters building, which includes newly available retail space, and as the Company launches 20th Anniversary Harry Potter marketing, as well as new core literacy instructional programs for sale in fiscal 2019.

Results of Operations – Consolidated

Revenues for the quarter ended February 28, 2018 increased to \$344.7 million, compared to \$336.2 million in the prior fiscal year quarter. The *Children's Book Publishing and Distribution* segment revenues increased \$0.4 million, driven by higher book fairs revenues of \$2.0 million and higher trade channel sales of \$1.0 million, partially offset by lower sales of \$2.6 million in the book club channel. The *Education* segment revenues increased \$1.6 million, primarily driven by higher sales of classroom libraries and customized collections as well as an increase in custom and digital publishing in the consumer magazine channel. In local currency, the *International* segment revenues increased \$1.7 million, primarily driven by higher local currency sales in Canada, UK, Australia and Asia markets. International revenues were also benefited by favorable foreign exchange translation of \$4.8 million.

Revenues for the nine months ended February 28, 2018 decreased to \$1,132.2 million, compared to \$1,242.0 million in the prior fiscal year period. The *Children's Book Publishing and Distribution* segment revenues decreased \$91.3 million, primarily driven by lower sales of Harry Potter themed titles when compared to the prior year's success of *Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them™: The Original Screenplay* and *Harry Potter and the Cursed Child, Parts One and Two*. The *Education* segment revenues decreased \$8.8 million, primarily driven by lower sales of curriculum publishing products. In local currency, the *International* segment revenues decreased \$18.6 million, primarily driven by lower sales when compared to the prior year's success of Harry Potter themed titles in Canada and certain export trade channels. International revenues were also benefited by favorable foreign exchange translation of \$8.9 million.

Components of Cost of goods sold for the three and nine months ended February 28, 2018 and February 28, 2017 are as follows:

(\$ amounts in millions)	Three months ended February 28,				Nine months ended February 28,			
	2018		2017		2018		2017	
	\$	% of Revenue	\$	% of Revenue	\$	% of Revenue	\$	% of Revenue
Product, service and production costs	\$ 86.1	25.0%	\$ 81.5	24.2%	\$ 283.2	25.0%	\$ 303.8	24.4%
Royalty costs	22.4	6.5%	23.1	6.9%	77.6	6.9%	120.4	9.7%
Prepublication and production amortization	5.5	1.6%	5.6	1.7%	16.3	1.4%	17.2	1.4%
Postage, freight, shipping, fulfillment and other	52.4	15.2%	50.1	14.9%	158.5	14.0%	159.9	12.9%
Total	\$ 166.4	48.3%	\$ 160.3	47.7%	\$ 535.6	47.3%	\$ 601.3	48.4%

Cost of goods sold as a percentage of revenue for the quarter ended February 28, 2018 increased to 48.3%, compared to 47.7% in the prior fiscal year quarter. The increase in Cost of goods sold as a percentage of revenue was primarily due to a favorable inventory adjustment in the book club channel that yielded lower costs in the prior fiscal quarter.

Cost of goods sold as a percentage of revenue for the nine months ended February 28, 2018 decreased to 47.3%, compared to 48.4% in the prior fiscal year period. The decrease in Cost of goods sold as a percentage of revenue was primarily due to the lower royalty costs associated with the decrease in sales of Harry Potter themed titles and favorable product mix in the book fair channel, partially offset by the unfavorable impact lower revenues had on fixed costs and the favorable inventory adjustment in the book club channel that yielded lower costs in the prior fiscal year period.

Selling, general and administrative expenses in the quarter ended February 28, 2018 decreased to \$186.2 million, compared to \$191.1 million in the prior fiscal year quarter. The decrease in expense was primarily related to lower severance expense of \$4.0 million related to cost saving initiatives and lower costs in the book club channel as a result of lower marketing expenses, partially offset by increased salaries and related costs for the expansion of the sales and marketing organizations supporting curriculum publishing in the *Education* segment.

Selling, general and administrative expenses in the nine months ended February 28, 2018 decreased to \$572.0 million compared to \$587.2 million in the prior fiscal year period. The decrease in expense was primarily related to lower medical claims experience and lower marketing expenses, partially offset by higher employee-related expenses for the expansion of the sales and marketing organizations supporting curriculum publishing. Selling, general and administrative expenses in the nine months ended February 28, 2018 also included \$5.7 million in severance expense primarily in connection with the termination without cause of the Company's former chief financial officer, including \$0.7 million in stock based compensation expense due to the accelerated vesting of awards. In the prior fiscal year period, severance expense of \$8.3 million was related to cost savings initiatives.

Depreciation and amortization expenses in the quarter ended February 28, 2018 increased to \$11.5 million, compared to \$9.5 million in the prior fiscal year quarter. The increase was primarily attributable to capitalized strategic technology investments and assets related to the redesign and upgrade of the Company's headquarters in New York City which were placed into service during the current fiscal year, resulting in an increase in depreciation expense.

Depreciation and amortization expenses in the nine months ended February 28, 2018 increased to \$31.9 million, compared to \$28.6 million in the prior fiscal year period. The increase was primarily attributable to capitalized strategic technology investments and assets related to the redesign and upgrade of the Company's headquarters in New York City which were placed into service during the current fiscal year, resulting in an increase in depreciation expense. A majority of the capital improvements to the Company's headquarters location in New York City are expected to be completed this fiscal year and additional assets will be placed into service resulting in additional depreciation expense in future periods.

Asset impairments for the three and nine months ended February 28, 2018 were \$4.3 million and \$11.0 million, respectively, due to impairment charges related to the abandonment of legacy building improvements in connection with the Company's renovation of its headquarters in New York City.

Net interest income in the quarter ended February 28, 2018 was \$0.2 million, compared to net interest expense of \$0.3 million in the prior fiscal year quarter. The \$0.5 million increase was primarily driven by higher interest rates associated with the Company's cash and cash equivalents balance, while interest expense remained relatively flat due to the absence of long-term debt.

Net interest income in the nine months ended February 28, 2018 increased to \$0.5 million, compared to net interest expense of \$1.0 million in the prior fiscal year period. The \$1.5 million increase was primarily driven by higher interest rates associated with the Company's cash and cash equivalents balance, while interest expense remained relatively flat due to the absence of long-term debt.

For the three and nine months ended February 28, 2018, the Company recognized settlement charges of \$39.6 million and \$55.0 million, respectively, related to the settlement of the U.S. Pension Plan and the related purchase of insurance company group annuity contracts. The U.S. Pension Plan's asset balance was sufficient to fund the purchase of these insurance contracts as well as any remaining benefit obligations and plan-related operating expenses, with no additional cost to the Company as the plan sponsor. The Company anticipates that any remaining benefit obligations and plan-related operating expenses will be distributed or satisfied over the remainder of the current fiscal year.

The Company's effective tax rate for the third quarter of fiscal 2018 was 22.3%, compared to 35.1% in the prior fiscal year quarter. The Company's effective tax rate for the nine month period ended February 28, 2018 was 23.8%, compared to 45.6% in the prior fiscal year period. On December 22, 2017, the framework for U.S. corporate taxes was significantly changed with the signing of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act into law. As a result, the Company's marginal effective tax rate for the current fiscal year is expected to be reduced to 34.7%. For the three and nine months ended February 28, 2018, the Company had losses from operations and therefore the income tax benefit was unfavorably impacted by the reduction in rate and the related \$8.3 million re-measurement of the U.S. deferred tax balances.

Net loss for the quarter ended February 28, 2018 increased by \$33.8 million to \$49.2 million, compared to \$15.4 million in the prior fiscal year quarter. Loss per basic and diluted share of Class A Stock and Common Stock was \$1.41 and \$1.41, respectively, in the quarter ended February 28, 2018, compared to loss per basic and diluted share of \$0.44 and \$0.44, respectively, in the prior fiscal year quarter.

Net loss for the nine months ended February 28, 2018 was \$55.8 million, compared to Net income of \$12.9 million in the prior fiscal year period, resulting in an aggregate change of \$68.7 million. Loss per basic and diluted share of Class A Stock and Common Stock was \$1.59 and \$1.59, respectively, in the period ended February 28, 2018, compared to Earnings per basic and diluted share of Class A Stock and Common Stock of \$0.37 and \$0.36, respectively, in the prior fiscal year period.

Results of Continuing Operations

Children's Book Publishing and Distribution

(\$ amounts in millions)	Three months ended February 28,				Nine months ended February 28,			
	2018	2017	\$ change	% change	2018	2017	\$ change	% change
Revenues	\$ 199.4	\$ 199.0	\$ 0.4	0.2%	\$ 678.0	\$ 769.3	\$ (91.3)	-11.9%
Cost of goods sold	91.0	86.9	4.1	4.7%	293.6	348.9	(55.3)	-15.8%
Other operating expenses*	109.3	105.8	3.5	3.3%	329.1	329.2	(0.1)	—%
Operating income (loss)	\$ (0.9)	\$ 6.3	\$ (7.2)		\$ 55.3	\$ 91.2	\$ (35.9)	
Operating margin	—%	3.2%			8.2%	11.9%		

* Other operating expenses include selling, general and administrative expenses, bad debt expenses and depreciation and amortization.

Revenues for the quarter ended February 28, 2018 increased to \$199.4 million, compared to \$199.0 million in the prior fiscal year quarter. Book fair channel revenues increased \$2.0 million primarily due to higher revenue per fair. Trade channel revenues increased \$1.0 million, primarily driven by top selling titles including Dav Pilkey's *Dog Man and Cat Kid* and *Dog Man Unleashed*, as well as growth in other core series such as *The Bad Guys*, *Captain Underpants*, *Peppa Pig*, *Wings of Fire*, *I Survived*, *Five Nights at Freddy's* and activity-driven books such as *Klutz LEGO Chain Reactions* and *Klutz LEGO Make Your Own Movie*. Book club channel revenues declined \$2.6 million due to both a lower number of events and lower revenue per event.

Revenues for the nine months ended February 28, 2018 decreased to \$678.0 million, compared to \$769.3 million in the prior fiscal year period. Trade channel revenues decreased \$86.8 million, primarily driven by lower sales when compared to the prior year's success of *Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them*[™]: *The Original Screenplay* and *Harry Potter and the Cursed Child, Parts One and Two*. This was partially offset by an increase in sales of other titles, driven by successful series including *Dog Man*, *Captain Underpants*, *The Baby-Sitters Club*[®](Graphix), *The Bad Guys*, *Wings of Fire* and *I Survived* and activity-driven books including *Klutz LEGO Chain Reactions* and *Klutz LEGO Make Your Own Movie*, as well as new titles such as *Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban: The Illustrated Edition* and *Harry Potter: A Journey Through a History of Magic*. Revenues from the book club channel decreased \$10.7 million on a lower number of events, as well as lower revenue per event. Revenues from the book fair channel increased \$6.2 million due to higher revenue per fair of approximately 4%. The Company estimates that the book club and book fair channels were negatively impacted by approximately \$4 million due to the disruption to school customers caused by the severe weather in the southern portion of the U.S., primarily caused by the September hurricanes in Texas and Florida which impacted the back-to-school season.

Cost of goods sold for the quarter ended February 28, 2018 was \$91.0 million, or 46% of revenues, compared to \$86.9 million, or 44% of revenues, in the prior fiscal year quarter. The increase in Cost of goods sold as a percent of revenues was primarily due to the favorable inventory adjustment in the book club channel that yielded lower costs in the prior fiscal quarter, as well as, unfavorable product mix in the trade channel, partially offset by favorable product mix in the book fair channel.

Cost of goods sold for the nine months ended February 28, 2018 was \$293.6 million, or 43% of revenues, compared to \$348.9 million, or 45% of revenues, in the prior fiscal year period. The decrease in Cost of goods sold as a percent of revenues was primarily due to lower royalty costs associated with the decrease in sales of *Harry Potter* themed titles and favorable product mix in the book fair channel, partially offset by the favorable inventory adjustment in the book club channel that yielded lower costs in the prior fiscal period.

Other operating expenses for the quarter ended February 28, 2018 increased to \$109.3 million, compared to \$105.8 million in the prior fiscal year quarter. The increase was driven by higher operating expenses in the book fair channel, primarily driven by costs related to the roll-out of a new point-of-sale system and higher book fair promotional expenses, partially offset by lower costs in the book club channel as a result of lower marketing expenses.

Other operating expenses for the nine months ended February 28, 2018 were \$329.1 million, relatively flat compared to \$329.2 million in the prior fiscal year period. This primarily related to lower costs in the book club channel as a result of lower marketing expenses, offset by the impact of the wage improvement program for employees in the U.S. distribution centers and higher costs related to the roll-out of the new point-of-sale system for the book fair channel.

Segment operating loss for the quarter ended February 28, 2018 was \$0.9 million, compared to operating income of \$6.3 million in the prior fiscal year quarter. This was primarily driven by higher operating expenses in the book fair channel, principally driven by costs related to the roll-out of the new point-of-sale system, and the favorable inventory adjustment in the book club channel that yielded lower costs in the prior fiscal quarter.

Segment operating income for the nine months ended February 28, 2018 decreased to \$55.3 million, compared to \$91.2 million in the prior fiscal year period. This was primarily driven by the lower sales in the trade channel

and higher operating expenses in the book fair channel, principally driven by costs related to the roll-out of a new point-of-sale system, partially offset by lower marketing expenses and improved efficiencies in customer service and fulfillment for the book clubs operations.

Education

(\$ amounts in millions)	Three months ended February 28,				Nine months ended February 28,			
	2018	2017	\$ change	% change	2018	2017	\$ change	% change
Revenues	\$ 61.7	\$ 60.1	\$ 1.6	2.7%	\$ 177.6	\$ 186.4	\$ (8.8)	-4.7 %
Cost of goods sold	20.1	19.6	0.5	2.6%	61.9	63.4	(1.5)	-2.4 %
Other operating expenses*	41.8	37.0	4.8	13.0%	124.6	115.2	9.4	8.2 %
Operating income (loss)	\$ (0.2)	\$ 3.5	\$ (3.7)		\$ (8.9)	\$ 7.8	\$ (16.7)	
Operating margin	—%	5.8%			—%	4.2%		

* Other operating expenses include selling, general and administrative expenses, bad debt expenses and depreciation and amortization.

Revenues for the quarter ended February 28, 2018 increased to \$61.7 million, compared to \$60.1 million in the prior fiscal year quarter. Higher sales of classroom libraries and customized collections, including leveled book rooms, were the primary drivers of \$0.6 million of the increase in revenues within the Education segment. Consumer magazine channel revenues increased \$1.2 million primarily due to higher custom and digital publishing sales.

Revenues for the nine months ended February 28, 2018 decreased to \$177.6 million, compared to \$186.4 million in the prior fiscal year period. The decrease was primarily the result of the timing of orders for customized curriculum product. Educational material sales are typically seasonal and are purchased toward the end of the standard U.S. school year in April, May and June. In addition, the magazine channel revenues were flat despite the absence of U.S. presidential election related materials in fiscal 2018.

Cost of goods sold for the quarter ended February 28, 2018 was \$20.1 million, or 33% of revenues, compared to \$19.6 million, or 33% of revenues, in the prior fiscal year quarter. Favorable product mix in the consumer magazine channel, associated with digital publishing sales, was offset by the costs associated with customized collections sales.

Cost of goods sold for the nine months ended February 28, 2018 was \$61.9 million, or 35% of revenues, compared to \$63.4 million, or 34% of revenues, in the prior fiscal year period. The increase in cost of goods sold as a percentage of revenues was primarily driven by unfavorable product mix within the education sales channels, as well as costs associated with new product releases.

Other operating expenses increased to \$41.8 million for the quarter ended February 28, 2018, compared to \$37.0 million in the prior fiscal year quarter. The increase primarily related to the higher employee-related expenses for the planned expansion of the sales and marketing organizations supporting curriculum publishing.

Other operating expenses increased to \$124.6 million for the nine months ended February 28, 2018, compared to \$115.2 million in the prior fiscal year period. The increase was mainly attributable to the higher employee-related expenses for the planned expansion of the sales and marketing organizations supporting curriculum publishing. Costs associated with the expanded sales and marketing organizations will impact operating expenses on an on-going basis.

Segment operating loss increased to \$0.2 million for the quarter ended February 28, 2018, compared to \$3.5 million in operating income in the prior fiscal year quarter. This was primarily driven by higher employee-related expenses for the expansion of the sales and marketing organizations supporting curriculum publishing.

Segment operating loss increased to \$8.9 million for the nine months ended February 28, 2018, compared to \$7.8 million in operating income in the prior fiscal year period. In the prior fiscal year, the education channel

realized strong sales in the first fiscal quarter, as a result of a backlog of orders at the end of fiscal 2016 which were shipped in early fiscal 2017. In addition, the operating loss in the nine months ended February 28, 2018 was impacted by higher employee-related expenses. Educational supplementary material sales are typically seasonal and are purchased toward the end of the standard U.S. school year in April, May and June.

International

(\$ amounts in millions)	Three months ended February 28,				Nine months ended February 28,			
	2018	2017	\$ change	% change	2018	2017	\$ change	% change
Revenues	\$ 83.6	\$ 77.1	\$ 6.5	8.4%	\$ 276.6	\$ 286.3	\$ (9.7)	-3.4 %
Cost of goods sold	41.8	40.9	0.9	2.2%	140.0	149.7	(9.7)	-6.5 %
Other operating expenses*	41.1	39.9	1.2	3.0%	124.0	119.4	4.6	3.9 %
Operating income (loss)	\$ 0.7	\$ (3.7)	\$ 4.4		\$ 12.6	\$ 17.2	\$ (4.6)	
Operating margin	0.8%	—%			4.6%	6.0%		

* Other operating expenses include selling, general and administrative expenses, bad debt expenses, severance and depreciation and amortization.

Revenues for the quarter ended February 28, 2018 increased to \$83.6 million, compared to \$77.1 million in the prior fiscal year quarter. Total local currency revenues across the Company's foreign operations increased by \$1.7 million when compared to the prior fiscal year quarter. Local currency revenues from Canada and the UK increased \$1.9 million and \$0.9 million, respectively, driven by trade channel sales. Local currency revenues from Australia and New Zealand increased \$0.5 million, primarily driven by increases in book club and trade channel revenues. Trade channel sales in the Company's major markets remained strong due in part to local trade publishing titles including *Tom Gates: Epic Adventure (kind of)* and *Tom Gates: Family, Friends and Furry Creatures* by Liz Linchon and *The Ugly Five and Zog and the Flying Doctors* by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler in the UK, as well as Aaron Blabey's *Bad Guys Episode 6* and *Weirdo 9: Spooky Weird* by Anh Do in Australia. Local currency revenues from the Company's Asia operations increased by \$0.2 million, primarily due to higher trade channel sales, partially offset by lower sales in the Asia direct sales channels. Also partially offsetting the increases in local currency revenues was a decrease of \$1.8 million in the Company's export and foreign rights channels. Total revenues for the segment were further benefited by \$4.8 million in favorable foreign exchange translation.

Revenues for the nine months period ended February 28, 2018 decreased to \$276.6 million, compared to \$286.3 million in the prior fiscal year period. Total local currency revenues across the Company's foreign operations decreased by \$18.6 million when compared to the prior fiscal year period. Local currency revenues from Canada decreased \$6.7 million primarily driven by lower sales of Harry Potter themed titles when compared to the success of *Harry Potter and the Cursed Child, Parts One and Two* and *Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them™: The Original Screenplay* in the prior fiscal year period. This was partially offset by increased sales in Canada's local and core titles as well as higher sales in Canada's book fair channel. Local currency revenues from Australia and New Zealand decreased \$3.2 million, primarily due to lower technology distribution revenues of \$3.7 million as the Company exited this low margin business in Australia. Local currency revenues from the Company's Asia operations, coupled with those in the export and foreign rights channels, decreased \$9.9 million, primarily due to a decline in certain export trade sales when compared to the prior year's success of Harry Potter themed titles, as well as lower revenues in the Asia direct sales channels. Local currency revenues from the UK increased \$1.2 million, primarily due to an increase in revenues driven by licensed product. Total revenues for the segment were also benefited by \$8.9 million in favorable foreign exchange translation primarily related to the Company's Canada, UK, and Australia operations.

Cost of goods sold for the quarter ended February 28, 2018 was \$41.8 million, or 50% of revenues, compared to \$40.9 million, or 53% of revenues, in the prior fiscal year quarter. Cost of goods sold as a percentage of revenues decreased primarily due to the favorable impact the higher revenues had on fixed costs, coupled with \$0.5 million in fewer expenses due to costs incurred in the prior fiscal year quarter related to the wind-down of a technology distribution business in Australia.

Cost of goods sold for the nine months ended February 28, 2018 was \$140.0 million, or 51% of revenues, compared to \$149.7 million, or 52% of revenues, in the prior fiscal year period. Cost of goods sold as a percentage of revenues decreased primarily due to a decrease in royalty costs associated with lower volumes of Harry Potter related titles and Australia's exit of the low margin technology distribution business, net of exit costs of \$0.5 million.

Other operating expenses for the quarter ended February 28, 2018 were \$41.1 million, compared to \$39.9 million in the prior fiscal year quarter. In local currencies, Other operating expenses decreased by \$0.7 million. The local currency decrease was primarily related to higher income attributable to certain non-controlling UK equity interests during the fiscal year quarter.

Other operating expenses for the nine months ended February 28, 2018 were \$124.0 million, compared to \$119.4 million in the prior fiscal year period. In local currencies, Other operating expenses increased by \$0.3 million. The local currency increase was primarily related to lower income attributable to certain non-controlling UK equity interests.

Segment operating income for the quarter ended February 28, 2018 was \$0.7 million, compared to segment operating loss of \$3.7 million in the prior fiscal year quarter. This was primarily driven by the increase in sales during the quarter ended February 28, 2018.

Segment operating income for the nine months ended February 28, 2018 was \$12.6 million, compared to segment operating income of \$17.2 million in the prior fiscal year period. This was primarily driven by lower sales of Harry Potter related titles.

Overhead

Unallocated overhead expense for the quarter ended February 28, 2018 decreased by \$7.5 million to \$23.3 million, from \$30.8 million in the prior fiscal year quarter. The decrease was primarily driven by lower employee related expenses primarily due to \$4.0 million in lower severance expenses related to cost saving initiatives and a decrease in unallocated costs associated with the strategic technology initiatives, partially offset by impairment expense of \$4.3 million related to legacy building improvements.

Unallocated overhead expense for the nine months ended February 28, 2018 decreased by \$14.0 million to \$77.3 million, from \$91.3 million in the prior fiscal year period. The decrease was primarily driven by lower employee-related expenses due in part to lower medical claims experience, as well as lower severance expenses of \$2.4 million. Severance related expenses decreased to \$5.7 million compared to \$8.1 million in the prior fiscal year period. Severance related expenses in the nine months ended February 28, 2018 were primarily driven by the termination without cause of the Company's former chief financial officer, which resulted in \$0.7 million in stock based compensation expense due to the accelerated vesting of awards. In addition, unallocated costs associated with the strategic technology initiatives decreased, partially offset by impairment expense of \$11.0 million related to legacy building improvements. The Company expects costs associated with its strategic technology initiatives to continue into future fiscal years. A majority of the capital improvements to the Company's headquarters location in New York City are expected to be completed this fiscal year.

Seasonality

The Company's *Children's Book Publishing and Distribution* school-based book fair and book club channels and most of its *Education* businesses operate on a school-year basis; therefore, the Company's business is highly seasonal. As a result, the Company's revenues in the first and third quarters of the fiscal year generally are lower than its revenues in the other two fiscal quarters. Typically, school-based channels and magazine revenues are minimal in the first quarter of the fiscal year as schools are not in session. Trade sales can vary through the year due to varying release dates of published titles. The Company generally experiences a loss from operations in the first and third quarters of each fiscal year.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

The Company's cash and cash equivalents totaled \$362.6 million at February 28, 2018, \$444.1 million at May 31, 2017 and \$461.8 million at February 28, 2017. Cash and cash equivalents held by the Company's U.S. operations totaled \$342.4 million at February 28, 2018, \$430.5 million at May 31, 2017 and \$439.9 million at February 28, 2017.

Cash provided by operating activities was \$64.9 million for the nine months ended February 28, 2018, compared to cash provided by operating activities of \$113.4 million for the prior fiscal year period, representing a decrease in cash provided by operating activities of \$48.5 million. The decrease in cash provided was primarily due to the decrease in Net income when compared to the success of Harry Potter themed titles in the prior fiscal year period and the related decrease in customer remittances.

Cash used in investing activities was \$116.8 million for the nine months ended February 28, 2018, compared to \$45.6 million in the prior fiscal year period, representing higher cash used in investing activities of \$71.2 million. Higher capital spending in the period ended February 28, 2018 resulted in an increased use of cash of \$59.7 million, primarily due to increased spending for strategic technology initiatives and the investment plan to create premium retail space and modernize the Company's headquarters office space in New York City. This trend is expected to continue for the current fiscal year period. In addition, the prior fiscal year period included \$9.9 million of cash released from the escrow established in connection with the sale of the Company's educational technology and services business.

Cash used in financing activities was \$30.2 million for the nine months ended February 28, 2018, compared to cash used in financing activities of \$5.5 million for the prior fiscal year period, representing an increase in cash used in financing activities of \$24.7 million. The increase was primarily driven by an increase in common stock repurchases by the Company of \$17.8 million and the receipt by the Company of lower proceeds pursuant to employee stock plans of \$9.5 million, partially offset by net borrowings under lines of credit of \$3.1 million.

Due to the seasonal nature of its business as discussed under "Seasonality" above, the Company usually experiences negative cash flows in the June through October time period. As a result of the Company's business cycle, borrowings have historically increased during June, July and August, have generally peaked in September or October, and have been at their lowest point in May.

The Company's operating philosophy is to use cash provided by operating activities to create value by paying down debt, reinvesting in existing businesses and, from time to time, making acquisitions that will complement its portfolio of businesses or acquiring other strategic assets, as well as engaging in shareholder enhancement initiatives, such as share repurchases or dividend declarations.

The Company has maintained, and expects to maintain for the foreseeable future, sufficient liquidity to fund ongoing operations, including pension contributions, dividends, currently authorized common share repurchases, debt service, planned capital expenditures and other investments. As of February 28, 2018, the Company's primary sources of liquidity consisted of cash and cash equivalents of \$362.6 million, cash from operations, and funding available under the Revolving Loan totaling approximately \$375.0 million. The Company may at any time, but in any event not more than once in any calendar year, request that the aggregate availability of credit under the Revolving Loan be increased by an amount of \$10.0 million or an integral multiple of \$10.0 million (but not to exceed \$150.0 million). Additionally, the Company has short-term credit facilities of \$49.4 million, less current borrowings of \$7.7 million and commitments of \$4.9 million, resulting in \$36.8 million of current availability at February 28, 2018. Accordingly, the Company believes these sources of liquidity are sufficient to finance its ongoing operating needs, as well as its financing and investing activities.

Financing

The Company is party to the Loan Agreement and certain credit lines with various banks as described in Note 4 of Notes to condensed consolidated financial statements - unaudited in Item 1, "Financial Statements." There were no outstanding borrowings under the Loan Agreement as of February 28, 2018.

New Accounting Pronouncements

Reference is made to Note 1 of Notes to condensed consolidated financial statements - unaudited in Item 1, "Financial Statements," for information concerning recent accounting pronouncements since the filing of the Company's Report on Form 10-Q for the Quarter ended August 31, 2017.

Forward Looking Statements

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements. Additional written and oral forward-looking statements may be made by the Company from time to time in Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") filings and otherwise. The Company cautions readers that results or expectations expressed by forward-looking statements, including, without limitation, those relating to the Company's future business prospects, plans, ecommerce and digital initiatives, new product introductions, strategies, new education standards, goals, revenues, improved efficiencies, general costs, manufacturing costs, medical costs, potential cost savings, wage and merit pay, operating margins, working capital, liquidity, capital needs, the cost and timing of capital projects, interest costs, cash flows and income, are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those indicated in the forward-looking statements, due to factors including those noted in the Annual Report and other risks and factors identified from time to time in the Company's filings with the SEC. The Company disclaims any intention or obligation to update or revise forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

SCHOLASTIC CORPORATION**Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk**

The Company conducts its business in various foreign countries, and as such, its cash flows and earnings are subject to fluctuations from changes in foreign currency exchange rates. The Company sells products from its domestic operations to its foreign subsidiaries, creating additional currency risk. The Company manages its exposures to this market risk through internally established procedures and, when deemed appropriate, through the use of short-term forward exchange contracts, which were not significant as of February 28, 2018. The Company does not enter into derivative transactions or use other financial instruments for trading or speculative purposes.

Market risks relating to the Company's operations result primarily from changes in interest rates in its variable-rate borrowings. The Company is subject to the risk that market interest rates and its cost of borrowing will increase and thereby increase the interest charged under its variable-rate debt.

Additional information relating to the Company's outstanding financial instruments is included in Note 4 of Notes to condensed consolidated financial statements - unaudited in Item 1, "Financial Statements."

The following table sets forth information about the Company's debt instruments as of February 28, 2018:

(\$ amounts in millions)	Fiscal Year Maturity							Total	Fair Value @ 2/28/2018
	2018 (1)	2019	2020	2021	2022	Thereafter			
Debt Obligations									
Lines of Credit and current portion of long-term debt	\$ 7.7	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 7.7	\$ 7.7
Average interest rate	3.7%	—	—	—	—	—	—		

(1) Fiscal 2018 includes the remaining three months of the current fiscal year ending May 31, 2018.

SCHOLASTIC CORPORATION**Item 4. Controls and Procedures**

The Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer of the Corporation, after conducting an evaluation, together with other members of the Company's management, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Corporation's disclosure controls and procedures as of February 28, 2018, have concluded that the Corporation's disclosure controls and procedures were effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Corporation in its reports filed or submitted under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is recorded, processed, summarized, and reported within the time periods specified in the rules and forms of the SEC and accumulated and communicated to members of the Company's management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. There was no change in the Corporation's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the quarter ended February 28, 2018 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Corporation's internal control over financial reporting.

PART II – OTHER INFORMATION**SCHOLASTIC CORPORATION****Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds**

The following table provides information with respect to repurchases of shares of Common Stock by the Corporation during the three months ended February 28, 2018:

Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities
(Dollars in millions, except per share amounts)

Period	Total number of shares purchased	Average price paid per share	Total number of shares purchased as part of publicly announced plans or programs	Maximum number of shares (or approximate dollar value) that may yet be purchased under the plans or programs (i)
December 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017	—	\$ —	—	\$ 25.3
January 1, 2018 through January 31, 2018	120,058	\$ 38.95	120,058	\$ 20.6
February 1, 2018 through February 28, 2018	193,916	\$ 37.21	193,916	\$ 13.4
Total	313,974	\$ 37.88	313,974	

(i) Represents the amount remaining at February 28, 2018 under the \$50 million Board authorization for Common share repurchases announced on July 22, 2015, which is available for further repurchases, from time to time as conditions allow, on the open market or through negotiated private transactions. See Note 11 and Note 17 of Notes to condensed consolidated financial statements - unaudited in Item 1, "Financial Statements," for a description of the Company's share buy-back program and share repurchase authorization made on March 21, 2018.

SCHOLASTIC CORPORATION**Item 6. Exhibits**

Exhibits:

31.1	<u>Certification of the Chief Executive Officer of Scholastic Corporation filed pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.</u>
31.2	<u>Certification of the Chief Financial Officer of Scholastic Corporation filed pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.</u>
32	<u>Certifications of the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer of Scholastic Corporation furnished pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.</u>
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Document
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definitions Document
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Labels Document
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* In accordance with Regulation S-T, the XBRL-related information in Exhibit 101 to this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q shall be deemed to be “furnished” and not “filed.”

SCHOLASTIC CORPORATION
SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

SCHOLASTIC CORPORATION
(Registrant)

Date: March 23, 2018

By: /s/ Richard Robinson

Richard Robinson
*Chairman of the Board,
President and Chief
Executive Officer*

Date: March 23, 2018

By: /s/ Kenneth J. Cleary

Kenneth J. Cleary
*Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial Officer)*

I, Richard Robinson, the principal executive officer of Scholastic Corporation, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Scholastic Corporation;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: March 23, 2018

/s/ Richard Robinson

Richard Robinson
Chairman of the Board,
President and Chief Executive Officer

I, Kenneth J. Cleary, the principal financial officer of Scholastic Corporation, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Scholastic Corporation;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: March 23, 2018

/s/ Kenneth J. Cleary

Kenneth J. Cleary

Chief Financial Officer

Certification
Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
with Respect to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q
for the Quarter ended February 28, 2018
of Scholastic Corporation

Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (subsections (a) and (b) of section 1350, chapter 63 of title 18, United States Code), each of the undersigned officers of Scholastic Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), does hereby certify, to the best of such officer's knowledge, that:

1. The Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended February 28, 2018 (the "Form 10-Q") fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and
2. Information contained in the Form 10-Q fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: March 23, 2018

/s/ Richard Robinson

Richard Robinson
Chief Executive Officer

Date: March 23, 2018

/s/ Kenneth J. Cleary

Kenneth J. Cleary
Chief Financial Officer

The certification set forth above is being furnished solely pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and is not being filed as part of the Form 10-Q or as a separate disclosure document of the Company or the certifying officers.